Upgradation of Bhubaneshwar Air port

6. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to expand and upgrade Bhubaneshwar airport;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the progress made so far in the acquisition of additional land, if required for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government of Orissa has sought the extension of the runway at Bhubaneshwar airport to 9000 feet to enable the airport to receive wide-bodied aircraft.

(c) The State Government is to make available nearly 70 acres of land free of cost and carry out diversion of roads and electric lines.

Japanese offer for setting up a Tourism institute

7. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Japan have offered assistance for setting up a tourism institute in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon- and

(c) the time schedule for the establishment and development of the proposed institute?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA); (a) and (b) No, Sir. No financial assistance has been offered by the Government of Japan for constructing a Tourism Institute in India. However, a project had been prepared in the past for obtaining technical equipment under Japanese grant aid for use in the Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management when its campus is constructed.

(c) No time schedule has been laid for the development of the Institute or construction of its campus.

राजस्थान के शहरों के लिये विमान सेवायें

8. श्री भंवर लाल पंवार: क्या नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) दिल्ली-जयपुर- जोधपुर होकर मुम्बई के लिए आई सी 491 और आई सी 492 की सेवा कब तक पुन: शुरू कर दिये जाने की संभावना है;

(ख) क्या सरकार पर्यटकों और अन्य यात्रियों को सुविधायें प्रदान करने हेतु दिल्ली-जयपुर-जोधपुर होकर जैसलमेर के लिए एक अतिरिक्त सेवा प्रारंभ करने का विचार रखती है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसके कब तक शुरू कर दिये जाने की संभावना है?

नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री माधवराव सिंधिया): (क) 1991 की शरदकालीन समयावली में इसकी योजना है।

(ख) और (ग) 1991 की शरद-कालीन समयावली में इस सेवा की भी योजना तैयार की जा रही है।

Private sector participation in power Generation

9. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 91 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 15th July, 1991 and state:

(a) whether foreign firms have shown interest in the power generation sector;